

MARINE CORPS LEAGUE
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Folsom, CA 95763

Membership Meeting
October 17, 2016 * 1900 hours
Approved – November 21, 2016

1. Meeting called to order by Cmdt Brigit Skjerpe at 19:05 (7:05pm). Pledge of Allegiance, presentation of flag, and prayer followed.
2. Roll Call, by Sgt. at Arms Jay Wiley resulted in all present.
Present: Cmdt. Skjerpe, Sr.VC Elliott, Jr VC Rainwater, Acting JAdv Musser, Adj. Roddan, Paymaster Tully, Chap. Horne
Past Cmdts F. Tully, R. Gore, G. McNeill, C. Kank, M. Hartley
3. Application for Membership:
 - a. Received an application for Assoc. Member for Joseph Artim, sponsored by Past Cmdt. Max Hartley. Mr. Artim, served in the Army and now lives in Orangevale. Mr. Artim is golfing partners with Hartley and Past Cmdt. Kank.
4. Balloting on Application: Membership voted to accept the Assoc. Membership application of Mr. Joseph Artim.
5. Membership took a brief break to welcome Mr. Artim to our League.
6. Meeting Minutes:
Minutes to the September 19th meeting were read by Adjutant Roddan:
 - i. *Motion made and seconded to approval September Minutes as read. Motion passed.*
7. Correspondence:
 - a. Adjutant Roddan stated that Mayor Steve Miklos of Folsom was invited to the Marine Corps Birthday Ball. Mayor Miklos responded that he is unable to attend, however wishes the League a wonderful event and a happy birthday to the US Marine Corps.
8. Paymaster's report:
 - a. Paymaster David Tully presented this month's accounting report. The current month's income was \$1,991.00 which includes Ball tickets of \$770, Rifle tickets of \$155, and donations totaling \$996. Expenses were \$361.44 which includes payment of State and National dues, State Raffle Permit, and expenses related to the Ball. Total Account Balance is: \$23,416.72. Currently there are 41 Assoc. Members, 23 Assoc. Life Members, 37 Regular Members, and 45 Regular Life Members; total 146.
 - i. *Paymaster filed report for audit.*
9. Chaplain's report:
 - a. Art Horne has taken a couple of falls, however is attending this evening.
 - b. The Tully's have visited Mike Slate and report that he is in good spirits, however under hospice care. He is missing us and a visit to his home of members is being planned with the coordination of Mike's wife Maryanne. Information on date and time to be available soon.

10. Officer reports:

- a. A written email was received September 21st from JAdv John Cordova resigning his position on the Board for personal reasons. Resignation accepted. John is interested in remaining on the High School Memorial Committee and the Folsom/Oakridge Scholarship Committee.
- b. Jim Musser has been appointed as Acting Judge Advocate for the remainder of this term.
- c. Our Blue Star Moms will be presenting a luncheon at the VFW Hall after the Veteran's Day Parade.
- d. The Sacramento area US Submariners will honor the 75th anniversary of Pearl Harbor at Discovery Park on December 7th. Location is close to the boat ramps.
- e. Information has been received for the 2017 State Convention, held June 15-17, hosted by the President Ronald Reagan Detachment #597 in Simi Valley.

11. Standing Committee reports:

- a. Birthday Ball - Adjutant Roddan reported that reservations are coming in. Reservation deadline is November 3rd. The guest speaker is 1st Sgt. Damen Davoren. Volunteers are needed for set up, starting at noon, and clean up, a midnight. The Committee is now taking donations for the Raffle and Silent Auction.

12. Special Committee reports:

- a. Toys for Tots – SSgt. Legler will be assisting us in getting our Toys for Tots on track. Volunteers will be needed to work on this annual project. Lisa Andrews, Paul Reyes, Angie Roddan, and Pearl Wood have volunteered so far and more are needed. More information to come.
- b. Past Cmdt. Max Hartley reported on the Conference recently held in Santa Rosa. Written report submitted.

13. Unfinished business: none

14. New Business:

- a. October 23rd Breakfast – need volunteers to cook and service. The Breakfast has been a break even activity, however it is very beneficial to the members who attend each Sunday for fellowship. Come at 7am, breakfast is at 8am and over by noon.
- b. Ideas for other fundraisers:
 - i. Printing our own Challenge Coin for sales (John Hanley)
 - ii. Entertainment event held at the Folsom Community Center or Folsom College
 - iii. Share booth duties at the annual Air Show with the Detachment from Elk Grove
 - iv. Hold a dinner similar to Blue Star Moms
 - v. A presence at race track events
 - vi. A presence at other area events and sell MCL/our own items
 - vii. It is important that organization, planning, and advance scheduling be a part of these activities and not creating something at the last minute.
- c. Veteran's Day Parade will start at 9am. Members should arrive at least by 8:30am to park in the lot of Target. There will be a trailer with chairs for those not wishing to walk the parade route. A ceremony will be held at the end of the parade at the Community Center/Library Memorial area. Extra flag bearers will be appreciated as it's a long parade and if wind is blowing it is extra challenging.

15. Installation of Officer: none

16. Good for the League:

- a. Jim Musser told of his Desert Trip and that it was certainly better than his training the first time in the desert.
- b. Paul Reyes, on behalf of the American Legion in Citrus Heights thanks Angie Roddan for her help at the Battle of the Bands. He also thanked our Color Guard for opening the event. It was another successful event enjoyed by many area veterans and families.
- c. Angie Roddan said that after accepting a challenge from her daughter-in-law's teacher group is doing the 22 push-ups for 22 days to bring attention to the 22 veterans that commit suicide a day. She challenged other league members to do the same. We all need to be aware that something is wrong that these veterans are following through the cracks and we need to make more help available.
- d. Cmdt. Skjerpe told us about his trip to SanDiego/Pendleton to join his 1stBattilion/9thMarines. This was a celebration, fellowship, eating, and other things. Another division joined the group. They will be deployed the following day. He reported that it was very special and put into perspective what and why we are in the League. Connecting and helping each other.
- e. Brig Skjerpe apologized to the members of the league for the disruption and comments at a meeting.

17. Announcements:

- a. Our Sunday Breakfast is October 23rd. Arrive at 7:30am.
- b. Next League meeting on November 21st at 19:00 (7:00pm).

18. Adjourned at 20:34/8:34pm with Closing Ceremony , hymn, prayer, and retirement of flags.

Submitted by Adjutant Roddan: _____

Approved by Commandant Skjerpe: _____